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SUBJECT: MALTA INTERNATIONAL ARTS FESTIVAL, OCTOBER -
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1. IN REFTTEL, WE DESCRIBED REQUEST WE HAVE HAD FROM ORGANIZERS OF SUBJECT FESTIVAL FOR AMERICAN PARTICIPATION. WE WOULD LIKE TO BE RESPONSIVE TO THAT REQUEST, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF CONCLUSION REACHED IN INTERAGENCY POLICY REVIEW ON MALTA (STATE 152187) THAT WE FOCUS ON SUCH METHODS AS CULTURAL/ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMS TO PRESERVE AND STRENGTHEN MALTESE/US RELATIONS.

2. TERMS OFFERED BY MALTESE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE ARE AS BEFORE; I.E. COMMITTEE WILL PAY ROUND-TRIP AIRFARE FROM LONDON OR ROME, HONORARIUM OF UP TO US DOLS 600 AND FULL BOARD AND ACCOMMODATION AT FIRST CLASS HOTEL FOR UP TO 4 DAYS. COMMITTEE APPEARS AS YET TO HAVE PINNED DOWN RELATIVELY FEW CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUDING ITALIAN VIOLINIST ACCORDO AND STRING QUARTETS FROM ITALY, DENMARK AND ISRAEL, BUT IS NEGOTIATING WITH VARIETY OF
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OTHER GROUPS, INCLUDING OPERATIC SOLOISTS, ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY FROM MILAN AND BRITISH BALLET COMPANY.

3. COMMITTEE SEEKS SERIOUS ARTIST OR ARTISTS FROM US TO BALANCE WHAT THEY HOPE AND EXPECT TO BE TOP DRAWER PARTICIPATION FROM WESTERN EUROPE. THEY HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH VIOLINIST EUGENE FODOR AND HAVE ASKED OUR

HELP IN MEETING WHAT THEY UNDERSTAND TO BE FEE OF
US DOLS 4000. WE HAVE RESPONDED THIS IS WELL BEYOND OUR MEANS.

4. WE WOULD IN ANY EVENT PREFER US ARTIST OR GROUP
WITH BROADER POPULAR APPEAL, ALTHOUGH STILL
MEETING FESTIVAL'S PURPOSE OF FOCUSING ON FAIRLY SERIOUS
AND REASONABLY WELL KNOWN PERFORMERS. WE THEREFORE
REQUEST DEPARTMENT'S SUPPORT IN IDENTIFYING AND
FACILITATING SUITABLE US CONTRIBUTION, PREFERABLY OF
COURSE ARTISTS OTHERWISE PLANNING TO BE IN EUROPEAN
AREA DURING THIS PERIOD. WE ARE OPEN TO ANY SUGGESTION,
BUT STRONGLY PREFER THAT ARTISTS HAVE AS UNIQUELY AN
AMERICAN APPROACH AS POSSIBLE AND AN EMPHASIS ON MUSIC,
DRAMA, OR DANCE OF PARTICULARLY AMERICAN ORIGIN. THAT
COULD INCLUDE JAZZ GROUPS, BRASS ENSEMBLES, CHORAL
GROUPS, OR INDIVIDUAL PERFORMERS. QUERY: IS THERE
ANYTHING ON THE CIRCUIT IN ANY WAY SIMILAR TO THE
"MUSIC USA" PERFORMERS WHO PERFORMED NIGHTLY AT THE
SYLVAN THEATRE ON THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT GROUNDS DURING
THE BICENTENNIAL SUMMER? LAINGEN

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